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1. The seaplane base was northeast of Sevastopol ($33^{\circ}32'N/44^{\circ}36'E$), Crimean ASSR, along the north shore of the Severnaya Bay, about 1,500 meters west-northwest of the eastern side of the bay. The entire area was 100 x 150 meters.

2. The following installations were available:

a. A concrete landing ramp, estimated to be 50 to 70 meters long, sloping downward to the water.

b. A wooden cantonment building, about 35 meters long.

c. A stone building, about 30 meters long, erected up to the second floor by the Fall of 1948.

d. Ammunition bunkers built into the slope bordering the seaplane base opposite the shore. Aircraft bombs of about 60-cm length were piled in the open. Sailors were [redacted] de-rusting and painting the bombs and then carrying them into the bunkers.

3. The seaplane base was occupied by four twin-engine seaplanes.*

Description: Two radial engines, leading edge of wings straight, trailing edge ellipsoidal, wing tips rounded off, a float fitted on a strut under each wing tip, section of fuselage aft of wing unit larger than forward of it, fuselage bellied, after section bent upward, single rudder assembly forming tail, glazed, tortoise-shaped cockpit set on fuselage and extending from forward of leading edge of wings to aft of wings.

4. Individual planes flew during the daytime. An average of two seaplanes took off every day. The planes taxied down the concrete landing ramp into the water, where they were towed out of the small bay by a motor-boat. They returned about four hours later.

5. Personnel wore the blue uniform of the Soviet Navy.

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The reported location and installations of the seaplane base generally agree with previous reports. The information that bomb bunkers were established in the slope is new.

- * The seaplane is probably a MBR-2 or GST (Catalina duplicate).

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